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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CIRCLE CITY WATER COMPANY, LLC FOR AN EXTENSION OF ITS EXISTING

CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND

NECESSITY FOR WATER SERVICE.

DOCKET NO. W-03510A-13-0397

STAFF'S RESPONSE TO MOTION TO CONTINUE PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

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On May 28, 2015, the Hearing Division of the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") issued a Procedural Order (Sets Procedural Conference) ("Order") whereby a procedural conference was scheduled for May 8, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the procedural conference is to allow the parties to update the Commission on the status of their settlement negotiations and discuss an appropriate procedural schedule for this matter.

On May 5, 2015, Circle City Water Company, LLC ("Circle City" or "Company") filed a Request for Continuance of Procedural Conference ("Motion") wherein the Company's representative, Robert Hardcastle, advised that he had a personal conflict with the scheduled May 8, 2015, procedural conference. The Motion further set forth a brief account of the Company's exchange of communications with Staff and the intervenors in this matter regarding alternative dates for the conference.

Staff would note that Mr. Hardcastle first contacted Staff and the intervenors by email on April 28, 2015, regarding a continuance. At that time, Mr. Hardcastle advised that he wanted to attend his son's graduation from Marine Corps. Boot Camp in San Diego on May 8, 2015, and would therefore need to continue the procedural conference. Later that day, counsel for Staff notified Mr. Hardcastle by return email that Staff had no objection to his request for a continuance. DOCKETED

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Concomitantly, counsel for Staff advised that he would be available for the procedural 1 conference except for May 11 and 20 - 29 and that May 18<sup>th</sup> appeared to be the best alternative date. 2 Staff still has no objection to the Company's Motion and remains available as indicated. 3 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015. 4 5 6 7 Legal Division 8 Phoenix, Arizona 85007 9 (602) 542-3402 10 Original and thirteen (13) copies of the foregoing filed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015 with: 11 12 Docket Control Arizona Corporation Commission 13 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 14 Copy of the foregoing emailed/mailed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2015 to: 15 16 Robert T. Hardcastle Circle City Water Company, LLC 17 Post Office Box 82218 Bakersfield, California 93380-2218 18 RTH@brookeutilities.com 19 Garry Hays Law Offices of Garry D. Hays, PC 20 1702 East Highland Avenue, Suite 204 Phoenix, Arizona 85016 21 Attorney for Lake Pleasant 5000, LLC ghays@lawgdh.com 22 Darin P. Reber 23 7501 East McCormick Parkway Scottsdale, Arizona 85258 24 Counsel for Maughan Revocable Trust of 2007 and Rex G. Maughan and Ruth G. Maughan 25 dreber@foreverliving.com 26

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